Research and Results for Livingston County Jordan Country School District Number 94 northwest of Pontiac

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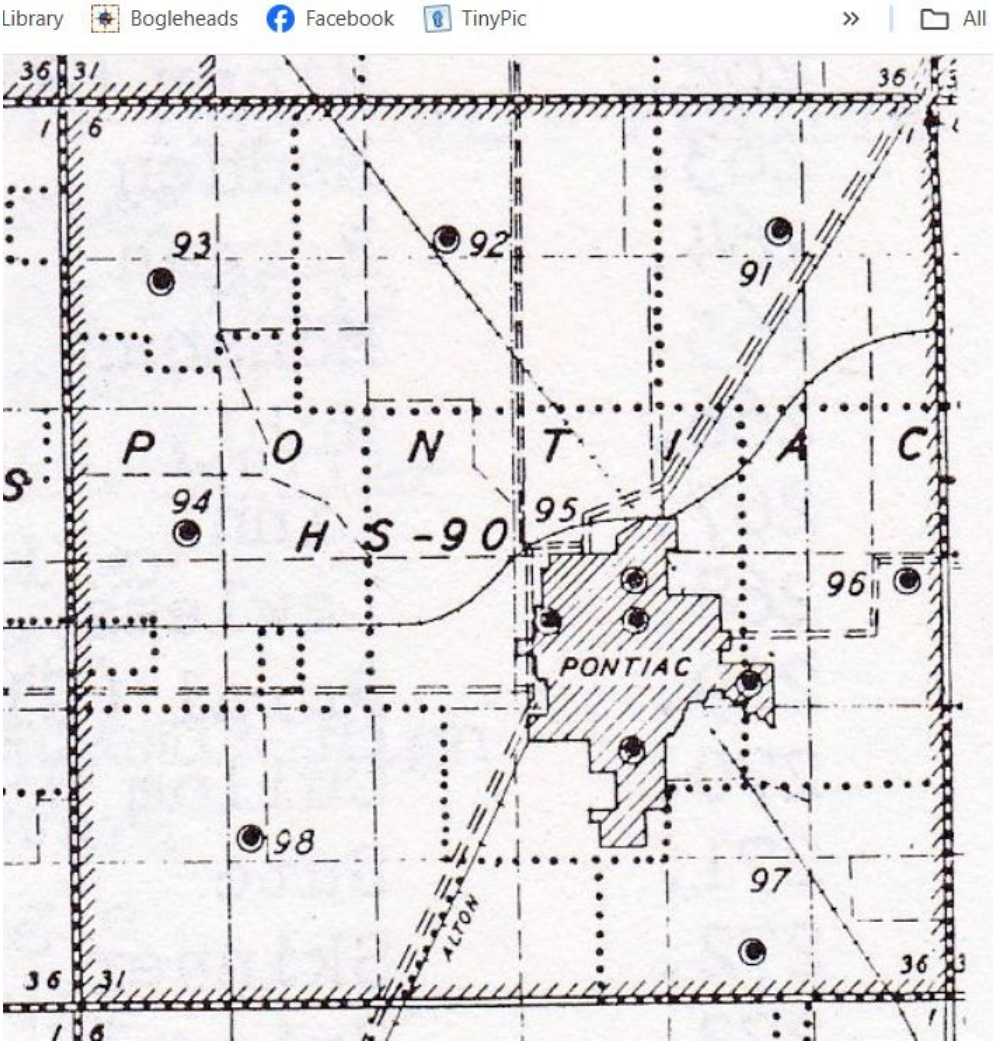
Lucille Goodrich 1979 Book on Livingston County Schools

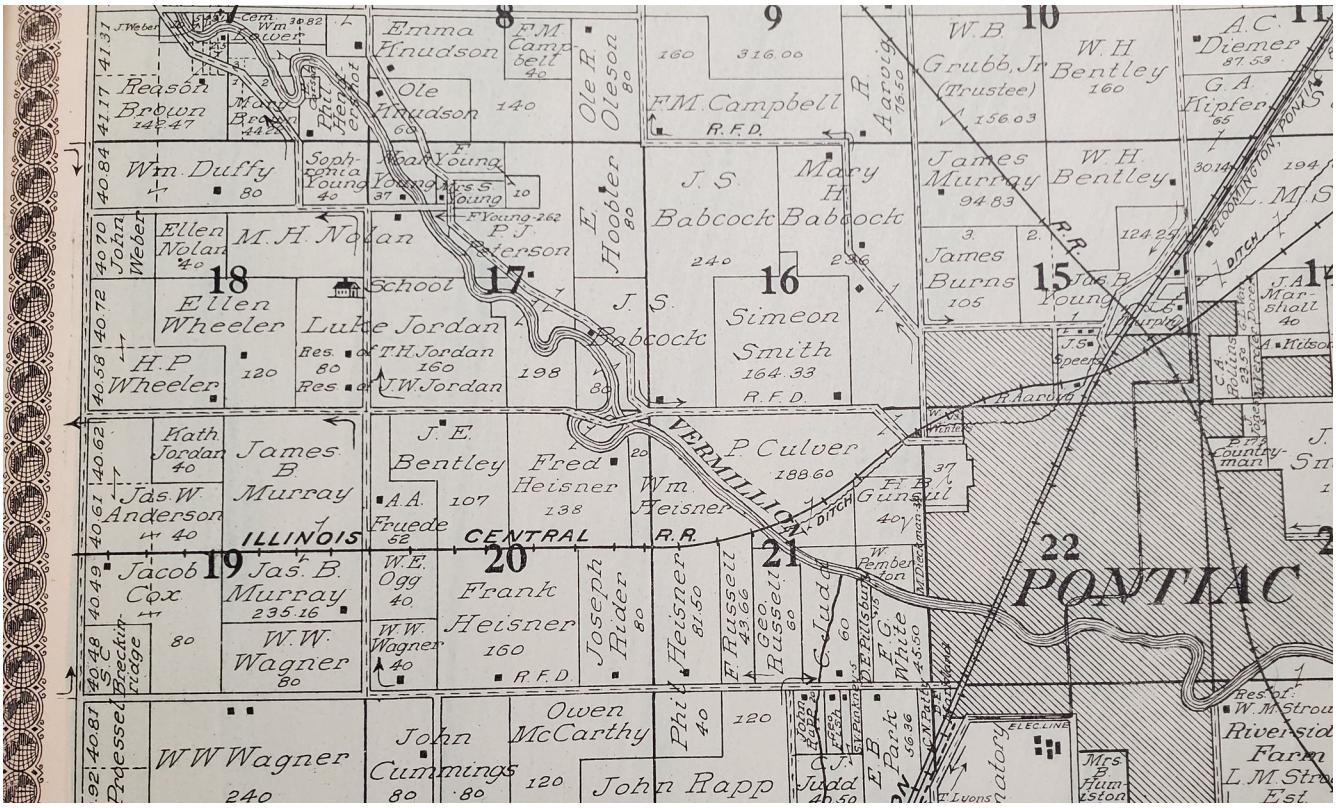
She has a list of names of all 299 country schools in the county. The Jordan country school was District number 94. [Here is a link to the website with the pages from her book.]

She also has a map of the county showing where all 299 country schools were located by the District Number. Number 94 Jordan school was about 2 miles west and 1 mile north of Pontiac.

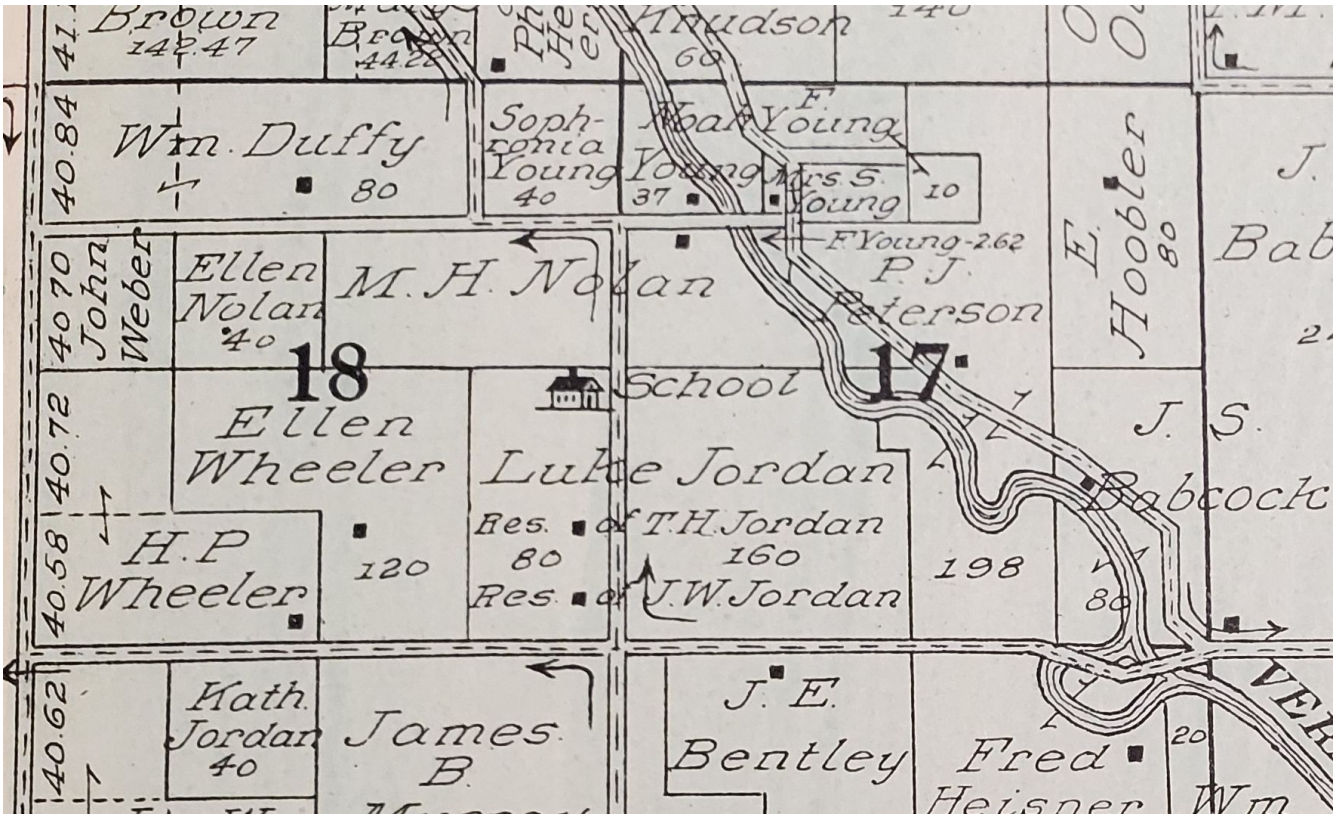


1911 Atlas of Livingston County

This old big book has maps of every township in the county and it shows the location of the country schools. The Jordan school is shown on the Pontiac Township page of this book. Most country schools got their name from who owned the land the school was built on. The Jordan family owned the land in 1911 where this country school was built.



Zooming in on this Map



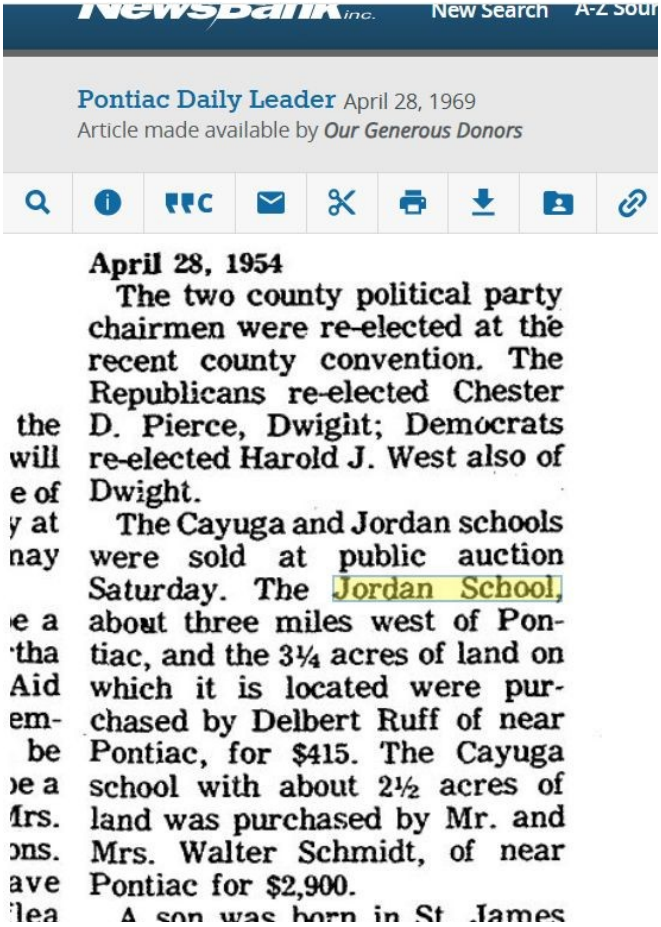
The school was only about ¾ of a mile west of the Vermilion River.

Did the Pontiac Daily Leader Publish any articles about Jordan country school?

The Leader has been digitized recently and is available online, but you must have a Pontiac library card to access it remotely from the Library. One can go to the library and use one of their computers to access it.

A word search of “Jordan school” gave 137 hits or articles about the school. The oldest article is from 1883, indicating the school was in existence in 1883.

Jordan Country School Sold at Public Auction in 1954



April 28, 1954

The two county political party chairmen were re-elected at the recent county convention. The Republicans re-elected Chester D. Pierce, Dwight; Democrats re-elected Harold J. West also of Dwight.

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The Cayuga and Jordan schools were sold at public auction Saturday. The Jordan School, about three miles west of Pontiac, and the 3¼ acres of land on which it is located were purchased by Delbert Ruff of near Pontiac, for $415. The Cayuga school with about 2½ acres of land was purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schmidt, of near Pontiac for $2,900.

A son was born in St. James

Are there are any articles in the Leader with the search term “Jordan School” + Weber?

No

School was still open in 1951

March 7, 1951

Alfred Meng left today for Great Lakes Naval Ttraining Station. He has been recalled to active service in the Navy. He served during World War II as an operating room technician.

Fred Fairfield, 81, of Odell, died in St. James Hospital, where he was taken following a fall in his home three weeks ago. Mr. Fairfield was the last member of his immediate family. He is survived by several nieces and nephews, among them Frank Fairfield of Odell.

Forty-six persons attended the Jordan school Parent-Teacher Association potluck supper and program. Pupils taking part in the program were Ronnie Bressner, Freddie Casey, Gerry Bressner, Gloria Grieder and Junior Orr.

Obit for Mrs. Knudson – teacher at Jordan Country school.

Her obit is in a separate PDF file.

Other Leader info

There are a couple of other obits for former teachers who taught at Jordan country school. There is also the various news info like PTA meetings, contests held at the country school, etc.

No photos of the school building or any classes there.

It would take quite a lot of time to extract all 137 articles about the school.

Social Media Posting

I will ask on some of the Facebook groups if anyone has any photos of the building or classes there, and get back to the requester if anything shows up.

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